

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026

~ Pentecost ~

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**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (May 25<sup>th</sup> – May 31<sup>st</sup>)**

**MON** ~ No Mass ~  
**TUE** Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~Sharon Henrichs  
**WED** Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~  
**THU** Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~  
**FRI** Mass – 10:00 am TCC ~  
**SUN** Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~Luke Monson  
Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~  
Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~

**STEWARDSHIP** – for Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>

Adult \$1465 Youth \$11 Loose \$181 Votive \$52  
Ascension \$50 Raffle \$400 Bldg Maintenance \$500

**Hour of POWER:**

7:00 am Adoration & 8:00 am Rosary  
Tues (Chokio), Wed (Wheaton), Thurs (B.V)

**Confessions: 5:30 pm**

Tues (Chokio), Wed (Wheaton), Thurs (B.V)

**😊 Double Header on Memorial Day 😊**

The Dumont Saints fly down to the Chokio Coyotes  
Mon, May 25<sup>th</sup> @ 2:00 pm

**Totus Tuus & VBS:** are approaching.

If interested, look toward parish columns for details!

**All the Best to our Graduates!!**



**Ministry Schedule, Most Holy Trinity Sunday, May 31, 8:00 a.m.**

**EM's:** Jade Marty & Jeri Erickson

**Lector:** Vivian Heltemes

**Ushers:** Xavier Kleindl & Jace Kleindl

**Servers:** Jameson Van Eps & Otto Kleindl

**Sacristan:** Keith & Maria Marty

**Summer Schedule:**

**--Calendar Raffle Drawing is June 24<sup>th</sup>.** Prizes awarded in July.

**Please bring back the tickets you signed out.** Received to date:  
\$9,440. Please return tickets by 6/14! Only 38 to come in.

**My Catholic Will:** Your faith is your most valuable asset Through partnership with My Catholic Will, the Diocese of St. Cloud is offering free access to a trusted online platform where you can create a last will and testament, express final wishes consistent with Catholic teaching, consider a bequest to your parish or diocesan ministries. Visit [MyCatholicWill.com/STCDIO](http://MyCatholicWill.com/STCDIO).

**2026 Vacation Bible School is Monday, July 27th-Wednesday,**

**29th, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.:** Held at Our Saviors Lutheran, as a collaboration with Our Saviors, Trinity Lutheran of Alberta and St. Mary's. Program Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Applications on back table, give to Jenny Gibson or Jamie Van Eps **by May 22<sup>th</sup>!** Any volunteers are welcome and appreciated. Free to our students. Theme this year is: "Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God."

**Jean Kohout will get moved to Ortonville hospital on May 27th!**

**Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection** that supports the work of the Universal Church, the work of the Holy See, and the charitable works of Pope Leo XIV. Join with Pope Leo XIV to be a sign of hope to our suffering brothers and sisters. There is an envelope in pack. Please be generous! Thank you!

**St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Fun-Food-Fund**

**Day, "Turn Back Thyme," will be held Thursday, June 18, at Immaculate Conception Church, Rice, MN, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

Bingo, Mass, Lunch, Socializing & Silent Auction. \$30 at the door. See poster in the back. Contact office if interested in going.

**MCCL's Life Leadership Camps for H.S. & Middle School Students:**

June 22-25 HS, Aug 9-12 Middle School. Pro-life education, games, water activities! Go to [mccl.org/camp](http://mccl.org/camp) or call 612-825-6831.

**Updated Alphabetical Cemetery List at cemetery & by office.**



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**Liturgical Ministers – May 31 - 11:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Paula Boudreaux

**EM:** Cindy Haggerty, Edith Foren & Marlene Appel

**Choir & Congregation:** Brenda Bartz & Michelle Cooley

**Servers:** Rylie Metz & Natalie Remily

**Greeters/Gift Bearers:** Paul & Kathy Serocki

**Ushers:** Paul Serocki & Bill Gibson

**Home Communion:** Bernice Piechowski

**Sacristan:** Sue Toelle

**Stewardship as a Way of Life:** *“To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.” 1 Corinthians 12:7* To receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit you must open your heart and invite Him in! Ask the Holy Spirit to guide your thoughts, words and actions every day! Be grateful for all the gifts God has given you! Regardless of our individual circumstances, God has given all of us many blessings. What we do with those gifts is our gift back to God! By generously sharing everything we have and everything we are, we become more “God-centered” and less “self-centered” and our lives truly reflect God’s light, love & mercy.

**Hearts of Mercy - Bishop’s Annual Appeal:**

Diocesan ministries strengthen parish life by providing support no single parish can offer alone.

- **Vocations and the Diaconate** guides men discerning the priesthood or permanent diaconate and supports our seminarians.
- **Communications**—through *The Central Minnesota Catholic* magazine, the Friday Feed and social media—helps keep people connected to their faith.
- **Catholic Education Ministries** helps support families and equip catechists in passing on the Catholic faith.

These ministries, and all the many diocesan ministries, keep our communities supported, connected and mission focused. Please help them thrive by giving at [www.stcdio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal).

**We can’t accept pill bottles until we can find a place to bring them. Please don’t bring any until further notice.**

The Memorial Day program will be held at the school at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 25. All are welcome! Thanks for supporting the veterans by wearing a poppy.



**Ave Maria ~ Wheaton**

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**Sunday, May 31<sup>th</sup> ~ 9:30AM**

**Lector:** Carol Nelson

**EM:** Carol Nelson, Armon Karsky, Sam Thielen

**Servers:** Michael O’Leary & Patrick O’Leary

**Ushers:** Butch Doll & Jim Coffman

**Home Communion:** Colleen Violet

**Fellowship:** Matt Franzese

***Save The Date***

**Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup> ~ Fellowship after Mass**

**Flowers may be placed on graves at the St. Peter’s Cemetery in Dumont starting on Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, and need to be removed by Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. Thank You**

**Open House Bridal Shower** for Emily Wahl bride-to-be of **Rory Schmitz, son of Roger & Kathi Schmitz**, will be held on Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup> from 9-11am at Good Shepherd Church in Wheaton. Recipe cards are requested.

***Prayer List***

Curtis Frisch, Barb Tauber, Carole Schmitz, Gene Stueve, Carrie Frisch, Kaye LeCuyer, Darlys Forcier, Mary & Willie Rinke, Shirley Montonye, Wally Hennen, Roger & Kathi Schmitz, Carol Marihart, Fred Schmidtke, and all of our military who are deployed

**TOTUS TUUS Summer Program  
July 11-17, 2026**

**Totus Tuus is a fun and energetic Catholic youth program taught by seminarians and college students throughout the Diocese of St. Cloud. From catechetical sessions, Sacraments, and Mass to songs, games, and skits – your children are sure to have fun while learning more about their faith!**  
**Monday – Friday from 9am to 2:30pm – entering grades 1 - 6**  
**Sunday – Thursday from 7pm to 9pm – entering grades 7 – 12**  
**To register your children please call the office at 563-4421. Please register by June 10<sup>th</sup>.**

**We are looking for people who would like to donate and prepare a noon meal, Monday – Friday, for the elementary youth who will be attending Totus Tuus. We also will need help with serving the snacks in the morning and serving the meal at noon, if you would like to help with any of these things for our youth, please call the office at 563-4421.**